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NEW, CONTINUATION, DIVISIONAL OR
CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

Attorney Docket No. 9319S0073COA
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R §1.53(b) is a patent application for DISPLAY DEVICE AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS EMPLOYING THE SAME

identified by: ☐ First named inventor Chiyoaki IJIMA
or ☒ Attorney Docket No. (see above)

1. Type of Application

☐ This application is a new (non-continuing) application.

☒ This application is a ☒ continuation / ☐ divisional / ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application No. 09/157,255. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a continuation of United States patent application No. 09/157,255, filed September 18, 1998.--

☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

If for some reason applicant has not requested a sufficient extension of time in the parent application, and/or has not paid a sufficient fee for any necessary response in the parent application and/or for the extension of time necessary to prevent the abandonment of the parent application prior to the filing of this application, please consider this as a Request for an Extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any fee that may be due. THIS FORM IS BEING FILED IN TRIPLICATE: one copy for this application; one copy for use in connection with the Deposit Account (if applicable); and one copy for the above-mentioned parent application (if any extension of time is necessary).

2. Contents of Application

a. ☒ Specification of 30 pages;
☐ A microfiche computer program (Appendix);
☐ A nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence submission;

☐ Because the enclosed application is in a non-English language, a verified English translation ☐ is enclosed ☐ will be filed.

☒ Cancel original claims 2-21 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing date purposes.)

b. ☒ Drawings on 13 sheets;

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- c. ☒ A signed Oath/Declaration ☒ is enclosed / ☐ will be filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f).

The enclosed Oath/Declaration is ☐ newly executed / ☒ a copy from a prior application under 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d) / ☐ accompanied by a statement requesting the deletion of person(s) not inventors in the continuing application.

d. **Fees**

FILING FEE	Number	Number		Basic Fee
CALCULATION	Filed	Extra	Rate	\$690.00
Total Claims	11 - 20 =	0 ×	\$18.00 =	0.00
Independent Claims	3 - 3 =	0 ×	\$78.00 =	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Used			\$260.00 =	
FILING FEE - NON-SMALL ENTITY				690.00
FILING FEE - SMALL ENTITY: Reduction by 1/2				
<input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 is enclosed.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement filed in prior application.				
Assignment Recordal Fee (\$40.00)				
37 C.F.R. §1.17(k) Fee (non-English application)				
TOTAL				690.00

- ☒ A check is enclosed to cover the calculated fees. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-0750. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

- ☐ The calculated fees will be paid within the time allotted for completion of the filing requirements.

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3. **Priority Information**

- ☒ **Foreign Priority:** Priority based on Japanese Application Nos. 9-253972, filed September 18, 1997, 10-16242, filed January 28, 1998 and 10-206784, filed July 22, 1998 is claimed.

☒ copy of the above referenced priority documents ☒ were filed in the parent case/ ☐ is enclosed / ☐ will be filed in due course, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d).

- ☐ **Provisional Application Priority:** Priority based on United States Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

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4. **Other Submissions**

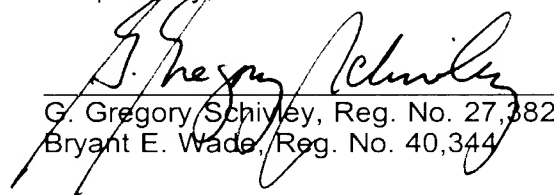
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement, 1 sheet of PTO Form 1449, 1 sheet of PTO Form 892 and 0 patents are enclosed.
- ☒ A power of attorney
- ☐ is submitted ☐ with the new Oath/Declaration.
- ☒ is of record in the prior application and ☐ is in the original papers / ☒ a copy is enclosed.
- ☒ An Assignment of the invention
- ☐ is enclosed with a cover sheet pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§3.11, 3.28 and 3.31.
- ☒ is of record in a prior application. The assignment is to Seiko Epson Corporation, and is recorded at Reel 9601, Frame 0789.
- ☐ An Establishment of Assignee's Right To Prosecute Application Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), and Power Of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☒ An Express Mailing Certificate is enclosed.
- ☐ Other: _____

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EXPRESS MAILING CERTIFICATE

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I hereby certify and verify that the accompanying acknowledgement postcard, check for \$690.00, Transmittal Letter for filing continuation under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b) (in triplicate), copy of 30-page patent application (from parent file), 13 sheets of drawings showing Figures 1-15 (parent file), copy of executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (parent file), Information Disclosure Statement, copy of Form PTO-1449 (parent file), Form PTO-892 (parent file), Preliminary Amendment and this certificate are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and is (are) addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.


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